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Applicant: Shigeru MORITA et al. Conf.: 7151

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement dated January 7, 2003, the following election is respectfully submitted.

The Office Action of January 7 states that pending claims 1-6 of the present application have been subjected to an Election Requirement. Specifically, the Requirement requires Applicants to elect a species from among "fluorine containing allyl ether polymers".

In response to this Election Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the homopolymer of Example 3 for claims 1-5, and the copolymer of Example 6 for claim 6, with traverse.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Election Requirement which is inconsistent with the Unity of Invention Requirements described at MPEP § 1893.03(d).

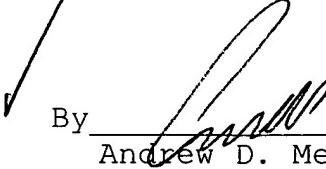
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Andrew D. Meikle (Reg. No. 32,868) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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